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Unit: 2821 Confirmation No. 3376

Examiner: Vy, Hung, T.

Applicant(s): Henderson et al.

Serial No.: 10/761,664

Filing Date: 01/21/2004

Title: Roof Article Transporter Assembly

ELECTION

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 19, 2005. Claims 1-8 are subject to a restriction and/or election requirement.

The Examiner contends that the claims require a restriction/election to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. 121:

Group I, claims 1-4, drawn to a roof assembly for transporting articles along a roof of a motor vehicle having a radio frequency receiver module, classified in class 343, subclass 713; and

Group II, claim 5-8, drawn to a roof assembly for transporting articles along a roof of a motor vehicle having a solar panel, classified in class 135, subclass 1..

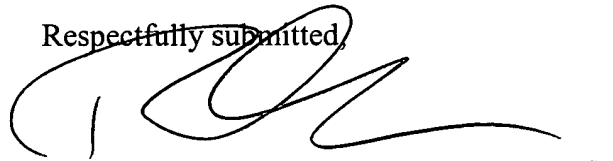
The Examiner states the inventions are unrelated if it can be shown that they are not disclosed as capable of use together and they have different modes of operation, different functions, or different effects. In the instant case, the Examiner contends that the different invention of group I and group II are the frequency receiver module in group I and the solar panel in group II.

In response, Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, to continue prosecution for the group the Examiner has identified as Group I, claims 1-4, drawn to a roof assembly for transporting articles along a roof of a motor vehicle having a radio frequency receiver module.

It is respectfully submitted that this patent application is in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this election or patent application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment of the above fees associated with this Communication to Deposit Account No. 50-1759. A duplicate copy of this form is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

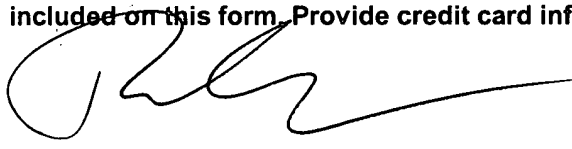


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)				Docket No. 19350-095929	
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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Robin W. Asher, Reg. No. 41,590 Clark Hill PLC 500 Woodward Avenue, Suite 3500 Detroit, MI 48226-3435			I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" [37 CFR 1.8(a)] on <div style="text-align: center;"> 05/18/2005 _____ (Date) </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> 5/18/05 _____ <i>Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</i> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> J.H. Fournier _____ <i>Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</i> </div>		
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